

# Exclusive News by Special Cable From the Capitals of the Old World.

## PROFESSOR STABBED

Victim of Secret Society Member, Who Hated Him.

## UNIVERSITY IS TERRORIZED

Slayer Is Saverio Lagana, Notorious Anarchist, Who Was Once Expelled from Naples College for Knifing a Fellow-student—Authorities Fear Vengeance of Dreaded Camorra.

Naples, Dec. 8.—While leaving the University of Naples yesterday evening, where he held the chair of comparative anatomy, Prof. Giovanni Rossi was plain-bellied to the heart by a notorious Sicilian anarchist, Saverio Lagana.

To those unfamiliar with certain phases of Neapolitan life the circumstances that accompany this outrage are truly astounding. The assassin, Lagana, is dean of the bachelors in philosophy, and is also the ringleader of a considerable group of anarchist students, which for several years past has terrorized the teaching staff and seized upon every available pretext to provoke disorders at the university lectures.

Lagana a Bad Man.  
Lagana was mixed up with five or six other stabbing cases, and in 1888 he was expelled from the university for knifing a fellow-student. The same year he was court-martialed and banished to a convict settlement at Procida. He was no sooner released than he returned to the university, under the protection of the Camorra, of which he is a prominent member.

Reactor after reactor, rather than risk fresh riots or expose themselves to the vengeance of the dreaded Camorra, suffered Lagana's despotic sway. Thus did this bully possess himself of every contract for repairs for the university, from the whitewashing of its walls to the monopoly of certificates for dispensing from attendance at lectures.

These dispensations he sold wholesale to any student prepared to pay his price. Incredible though it may seem, the plain truth is that every professor in this historic seat of learning submitted to Lagana's domination, with the single exception of the unhappy victim, Rossi, who, despite the open threats of the Camorra, persisted in distributing gratis whatever exemptions he granted from attendance at the natural science classes. Hence the bloody deed of revenge.

## UNIVERSITY CLOSED.

Examinations have been suspended, and the university has been closed as a token of mourning for the murdered professor, a clever, genial young man, married to the daughter of Col. Campanelli, a prominent Italian artillery officer. Since even the Naples police on former occasions shrink from arresting the formidable criminal, fearing worse reprisals on the part of the Camorra, it is not surprising to learn that the assassin has escaped their clutches. Only last year Signor Giolitti, the premier, avowed with sorrow before the Chamber of Deputies that thirty years of Liberal government had failed to make the slightest impression on Naples or crush its powerful Camorra.

## NEW RACE OF NOMADS FOUND.

Live in Arctic Regions and Never Saw a White Man.

Liverpool, Dec. 8.—A new race of people has been discovered on Prince Albert Land, in the Arctic, who had never previously seen white men, who lived under most primitive conditions, and who were armed with copper knives and bows and arrows.

The information was brought south to British Columbia by the crew of the revenue cutter Thetis, who learned the facts from the discoverer of the people, Capt. Klinkenberg, of the steam whaler Olga.

Last winter, when his vessel was in the ice near Prince Albert Land, Klinkenberg, accompanied by Eskimos, started inland on a hunting expedition. He went 20 miles in a northwesterly direction over the snow, finding traces of people, and finally overtaking 150 or more of them. When they saw him they turned toward him, armed with copper knives and bows and arrows. They held these above their heads, and he pointed a rifle at them.

One advanced alone, and the captain laid down his rifle, the native putting down his weapons. They became friendly, and by means of signs Capt. Klinkenberg learned from one old woman, who came from Prince William Land, that they had never seen white men previously. He visited the village, and found about 80 people, all of whom lived by hunting and fishing.

Their winter houses were of sod, with a lining of skins, and different in shape from those of other known tribes. They are nomads, and their article seemingly brought from civilization seen by Capt. Klinkenberg was a piece of steel—evidently from some ship—which had been converted into a spearhead.

## TAR AND FEATHER YOUTH.

Speaks Slightly of a Woman, and Her Friends Punish Him.

Johannesburg, Dec. 8.—A young electrician living on the Rand was last month waylaid, dragged to a quiet spot and there tarred and feathered by the friends of a woman of whom, it was alleged, he had spoken slightly.

His own friends were highly indignant, and called for an explanation from one of his assailants, a man named Sutherland. The latter's reply was to draw a revolver and fire at his questioners, two of whom he slightly wounded. Sutherland was yesterday committed for trial on the charge of shooting.

The whole affair is before the courts, but evidence as to the tarring and feathering has not yet been taken. It is believed that it will be of a very sensational nature, but it is doubtful whether it will be made public. Strenuous efforts are being made to hush up the whole affair.

## PLEADS FOR HIS CHILDREN.

Letters from Late Archduke Win Favorable Response from Emperor.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—Two letters from the late Archduke Otto have been found addressed to the Emperor and his brother, Franz Ferdinand, communicating the fact that he had two natural children, five and six years of age, by a Viennese actress, and imploring the Emperor and his brother to take care of the children. The Emperor sent 200 crowns to the children, but Ferdinand gave them nothing. The actress was with the archduke until his death, leaving his room only when a member of the family visited him. He lived in a rented house instead of the Augarten Palace.

## Anti-dancing Vicar.

London, Dec. 8.—The Rev. W. F. James, the new vicar of Burley, Leeds, has forbidden dancing in connection with the Burley Church Institute. He says the idea of a schoolroom being turned into a ballroom is repulsive to him.

## CARTLOADS OF CATS AT FAIR.

Perpetrators of Practical Joke Responsible for Lively Time.

Belfast, Dec. 8.—An extraordinary hoax has just been perpetrated at Ballymena, County Antrim.

Some time ago placards were posted throughout the neighborhood declaring that the war office authorities were purchasers of cats in unlimited numbers. The announcement set forth that barracks at home and abroad were overrun with rats, which not only destroyed the soldiers' rations and clothing, but even attacked their boots. Half a crown a head was offered for every suitable cat, and it was announced that a war office official would attend at the next Ballymena fair to purchase the animals.

Thereupon commenced a wonderful hunt throughout the district. The cats had a lively time, and so had the small boys. Many captures were made, and in some cases, hens were dispossessed to make room for the captured animals, and cellars and outhouses were filled in anticipation of fair day. Many an old woman wept for a vanished pet.

When the eventful day came cats took the prominent position usually occupied by pigs. Cartloads of them were driven into the town, and a sharp lookout was kept for the war office official. There were all sorts and conditions of cats, all ages and many breeds, but the purchaser failed to put in an appearance. The people are now looking for the perpetrator of the hoax.

## GUESTS ROB COUNTESS.

Two Men Repay Hospitality by Taking Their Hostess' Jewels.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—The Russian Polish landowner, Countess Poninska, was robbed of \$12,500 in notes and gold and of family jewels worth many times that amount last night.

Two well-dressed cyclists asked for shelter at the Castle Sapoyn late in the evening, stating that they had lost their way. The countess treated them with every hospitality, and had rooms prepared for them.

During the night they entered the countess's room, and under threat of death, forced her to hand over the money and jewels. They then made their escape on their bicycles.

Both were captured as they were trying to cross the frontier into Austrian territory, and the booty was recovered. The men had in their possession accurate plans of the castles occupied by the countess, by Prince Volkonski, and by Prince Sangusko, all in Russian Poland.

## KRUGER'S GRANDSON INSANE.

Charged with Murder, He Is Sent to Prison as Lunatic.

Pretoria, Dec. 8.—Stephanus Paul Kruger Smit, a grandson of the late President Kruger, has been found guilty of murdering Hermann Davis.

He was declared to be insane, and was sentenced to be imprisoned during the governor's pleasure. Smit had been in negotiation with Davis, who claimed to know of buried treasure worth \$300,000, and on June 21 they drove off together from Pretoria for Daspoort, to take possession of the gold.

Smit arrived alone at a hotel at Zwart-spruit, twelve miles from Pretoria, the same evening. Mrs. Davis soon after became anxious at the absence of her husband and applied to the police.

The cart used by Smit on the day of the search was found splattered with bloodstains and to have a bullet hole through the hood. Then the body was discovered in a lonely spot six miles from Pretoria, with four bullet wounds in the head and neck.

## WOMEN CABBIES IN PARIS.

Two Already Taking Lessons to Acquire Art of Modern Jehus.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Yet another occupation hitherto held sacred to men is being invaded by the gentler sex. A woman "cocher" is soon to be a living fact in Paris.

Mme. Dufaut, whose husband is an experienced driver of a taximeter, and another woman hailing from the country, have entered their names as students in the classes organized for the teaching of humane driving. Mme. Dufaut has already had many lessons from her husband. There is little doubt that she will take the necessary tests, and in a short time take her place on the driver's box of a Paris cab. The other aspirant has not up to the present received any practical instruction in the art of driving, but she is a country girl, with a good experience of horses and she has no fears as to her future success.

Both these women hope to be well patronized by their own sex, for, as they say, women would be more likely to trust themselves to a woman than to an insolent cabman, who would probably drive carelessly in the Paris streets. They are going to wear a costume in keeping with their occupation, consisting of a bolero, a dark gray skirt and overcoat of the same material, ornamented with brass buttons, and a flat glazed hat, like that worn by the present Paris cocher.



Woman Cabbie in Paris Awaiting a Job.



Prince Olaf holding a reception.

## OCTOPUSES ATTACK A SHIP

Caught in Net, Hundreds Seize Side of Big Fishing Bark.

Hold on with Their Tentacles and Nearly Capsize the Vessel Before Being Chopped Away.

## DOESN'T LIKE HIS NAME.

Swiss Woman After Marriage Refuses to Sign the Register.

Geneva, Dec. 8.—Mme. Lina Favre, a pretty, rich, and willful widow has given the Swiss authorities much trouble.

Some time ago she married Charles Meignier, a tradesman of Lausanne, at the registrar's office, but after the ceremony refused to sign her name in the register. On her "husband" remonstrating with her, the widow left him and returned to Yverdon.

As the registrar wished to know whether Lina Favre, not having signed the register, is legally married or not, he applied to the courts, and the judges decided that the marriage was a legal one.

It is announced that Charles Meignier has fallen in love with another girl, and has applied to the courts to find out "whether he is really married or not," as he wants a divorce, in order to marry again.

## LONGEVITY AT YARMOUTH.

London, Dec. 8.—The total age of sixteen persons who have been buried at Yarmouth during the last fortnight is 1,304 years, an average of a little more than eighty-one years.

## DISAPPOINTED, THEY DIE.

No Promotion Comes, So Couple Decides on Double Suicide.

Vienna, Dec. 8.—Maj. Pfeiffer, commanding the Pioneer Battalion at Essex, and his wife, have been found shot through the heart in their lodging.

The major lay at his wife's feet, one hand holding a revolver and the other clasping one of his wife's hands. A letter on the table stated that both had decided to commit suicide because the major had failed to obtain promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Frau Pfeiffer, who wrote the letter, stated that her husband declared he had not courage to shoot her himself, so that she had decided to place a bullet in her own heart while holding his hand, and that he would then commit suicide with the same revolver.

## CONVICT FALLS 160 FEET.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Arand Calen, who was sentenced in April to twenty years' penal servitude for murder, was killed yesterday while trying to escape from the prison at Thourès. He climbed the prison wall, but was surprised by a warder, who fired at him. The shot missed him, but his foot slipped, and he fell 160 feet on some rocks beneath.

## NO DANISH-GERMAN TREATY.

Copenhagen, Dec. 8.—The report published in London that Denmark and Germany had signed a secret treaty for the closing of the Baltic in the event of war is untrue. The authorities have not thought it worth while to issue even a semi-official denial.

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The receiving apparatus consists of an electrical Nernst lamp placed inside a glass cylinder covered with sensitized paper. The lamp burns more or less brightly according to the varying current transmitted, through the selenium at the other end of the wire. It thus reproduces the exact shade of the original photograph, provided that the cylinders at each end of the wire revolve at exactly the same speed. Prof. Korn has invented a means of regulating the revolution of the cylinders so that the speed is identical at both ends.

Further improvements to the apparatus will shortly enable a photograph to be transmitted within two minutes.

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## MAN'S LIFE IS SAVED BY A FAN

Apparatus Used for Cooling Rooms Foils Indian Slayer.

Assailant Is Captured and Proves to Be a Notorious Criminal, Who Was Seeking Revenge.

## FORBID YAWNING IN THEATER.

French Regulation Prohibits Hissing and Other Forms of Disapproval.

Toulon, Dec. 8.—The mayor of Toulon has issued an order prohibiting hissing and other signs of disapproval at the local municipal theater.

"No one will be allowed," says the order, "to hiss, make audible remarks, applaud ironically, yawn noisily, use bad language, or otherwise disturb the dignified calm necessary to the proper enjoyment of the drama."

Any breach of the order is to be punished by immediate expulsion, and spectators who have complaints to make are directed to write them in a book provided for the purpose.

## \$375,000 FOR ART WORKS.

German Collectors Get Most of the Koenigswaerter Pictures.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—In the annals of Berlin art sales there is no record of an event that caused such widespread interest as the dispersal of the Koenigswaerter collection this afternoon. All the great art dealers of Europe were represented, but the Kaiser's appeal to German patriotism ran prices up in quite unusual fashion. Thus the Rembrandt portrait of himself went to \$45,000, a Cupid to \$16,000, a small portrait by Frans Hals and a small landscape by Hobbema to \$11,500 each, and a Lancret to \$18,000. A Venetian view by Canaletto brought \$8,000.

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## BRITONS IDOLIZE OLAF

Norway's Future Sovereign Delights London.

## LITTLE PRINCE ENJOYS VISIT

When He Came to Metropolis He Brought Royalty with Him, Being Accompanied by King Edward and Alexandra, King Haakon and Queen Maud—Anxious for Toys.

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